

HAPPENINGS IN THE CAPITAL'S SUBURBS

Former Members of Alexandria Light Infantry May Organize As "Home Guard."

ALEXANDRIA, April 1.—A movement was inaugurated yesterday afternoon to form an organization among former members of the Alexandria Light Infantry, and a meeting probably will be held in the armory tomorrow evening for that purpose. It is suggested that such a body might become useful in acting as a "home guard," in case the regular organization, which is officially known as Company G, First Regiment of Virginia, is called into active service, as is expected. There are said to be several hundred men who are eligible to membership, having been connected with the company in years past.

Tomorrow will see this old city coupled with the Stars and Stripes in honor of "Flag Day." For several days past the slogan heard on every side has been, "Hang out the flag," and they have been coming out in larger numbers in all sections of the city. Tourists visiting here yesterday heard a remark, "Well, the people of Alexandria are patriotic, all right," as they saw flags to the right of them, flags to the left of them and Boy Scouts selling others on every side. Nearly every automobile seen on the streets bears a flag.

The members of Post F, "Travelers' Protective Association," held their annual meeting last night in the Chamber of Commerce room. E. Y. Williams was chosen president; O. H. Kirk, vice president; Hunt Russell, secretary and treasurer, and J. Williams May C. C. Lamond, J. H. Trimmer, T. A. Sommers, and V. W. Boswell, directors. Chairmen of Committees were elected as follows: Railroad, A. D. Brockett; legislative, H. K. Field; hotels, M. E. Greene; employment, S. W. Pitts, and membership, J. Williams May. Rev. Dr. John Lee Allison was made chaplain. Delegates to the State convention, to be held in Petersburg, Va., May 4 and 5, are: M. L. Price, A. D. Brockett, O. H. Kirk, W. W. Balenger, C. C. Lamond, V. W. Boswell, N. W. Lindsey, Richard Gibson, Harvey Henshaw, T. A. Sommers, W. H. F. Brooke, and J. Williams May. Alternates are: H. N. Garner, J. H. Trimmer, H. D. Kirk, C. T. Nicholson, W. G. Rogers, C. M. Lennon, D. G. Grillo, K. W. Ogden, R. E. Knight, S. W. Pitts, C. W. King and Alfred Thompson. Meetings of the body hereafter will be held on the fourth Saturday of each month.

The Right Rev. William Cabell Brown, bishop coadjutor of Virginia, delivered the sermon and administered the rite of confirmation at Christ Church this morning, and spoke before the Bible class of the Sabbath school. He will officiate at Immanuel Chapel, in Braddock Heights, this evening.

William D. Ogden, aged fifty-eight, died at the George Washington University Hospital, in Washington, yesterday. He is survived by his wife and son, Kenneth W. Ogden, of this city. The funeral will be held in the Fairfax apartments here at 10:30 tomorrow morning.

The next annual meeting of the Eighth Congressional District Teachers' Association will be held here March 21 and 22, 1918, an invitation having been accepted at a session held in Orange, Va., the past week.

The steamer Fenimore, which will be used on the new Washington-New York line, recently organized by Charles W. Morse, of New York city, was brought to Alexandria yesterday and will remain at the Cameron street wharf until put into active service.

The thirtieth degree will be conferred tomorrow night by Lafayette Council, Knights of Kadosh, No. 2. On Tuesday evening the thirty-first will be conferred, and on Wednesday evening the thirty-second. Thursday night a banquet will be held.

NEWS AT ANACOSTIA

Special Services Held in St. Teresa's and Emmanuel Churches.

Special services were held this morning at St. Teresa's and Emmanuel Churches. At St. Teresa's mass was celebrated throughout the morning, and at each service palms were distributed. Special services will be held every morning this week, and on Friday afternoon and night visiting priests will occupy the pulpits. The stations of the cross will be enacted Friday night. Miss Addie Wathen, director of the choir and organist, is arranging a special musical program for next Sunday.

At Emmanuel Church this morning the Sunday school department held a special service, and palms were given to each child. At the 11 o'clock service, communion was celebrated by the rector, the Rev. W. O. Roome, Jr. Tonight at 8 o'clock the Rev. H. W. Stowell, field secretary of the province of Washington, will preach. Every evening this week special services will be held at 8 o'clock, and tomorrow night the Rev. D. R. Covell, assistant rector of Christ Church, will preach. Friday afternoon, from 12 until 3, the passion service will be conducted by the rector.

The regular meeting of the Bradbury Heights Citizens' Association will be held tomorrow night in the school near the Bowen road, when plans will be furthered for the home-garden movement. The Times contest has attracted a number, tomorrow night others will be urged to join.

The singing of national anthems and references by ministers to the present international crisis were features of practically all the services in local churches this morning.

NEWS AT HYATTSVILLE

Prizes for Best Gardens Are Offered Boys and Girls.

Prizes for the best vegetable and flower gardens have been offered boys and girls here by the Hyattsville Horticultural Society. The boys are required to grow vegetables, and five prizes are offered, the first being \$2; second, \$1; the third, fourth, and fifth, each 50 cents. The girls are required to grow flowers, and similar prizes are offered them. A statement of the cost and methods of operation is to be prepared by each contestant, and this will be used by the judges in making the

awards. The gardens will be judged the first week in July and the last week in September. The Horticultural Society is planning two exhibitions, the first to be held in May and the other in October.

Funeral services for the Rev. Justus Blumenkranz, who died Friday at his home in Lanham, will be held tomorrow afternoon at Trinity Lutheran Church, Washington. Interment will be in Prospect Hill Cemetery. Mr. Blumenkranz, who was a retired Lutheran minister, was seventy-four years old. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Helen Blumenkranz.

The girls' basketball team of Hyattsville high school, yesterday afternoon defeated the girls' team of Laurel High School by a score of 21 to 15. Miss Dorothy Richmond, of the local team, was the star.

The semi-monthly meeting of the Hyattsville volunteer fire department will be held tomorrow night.

NEWS AT ROCKVILLE

Union Evangelistic Services to Begin in M. E. Church Tonight.

Under the auspices of the Epworth League of the Rockville Methodist Church, union evangelistic services will begin in the Methodist Church here this evening. Among the speakers will be Homer Edson, of Ohio; Robert Carter, of Virginia, and Mr. Bennett, of New York.

Miss Elizabeth Owens, of Ellicott City, Md., is the guest of Mrs. Sadie Bradley.

Mrs. John Brewer, of Washington, spent the night in Rockville with her mother-in-law, Mrs. John E. Brewer.

Mrs. Otto H. W. Talbot has been visiting friends in Baltimore.

Luther L. Love, formerly of this county, now living in Washington, has filed suit in circuit court here for an absolute divorce from Maude L. Love, of this county. The bill charges desertion. Mr. Love is represented by W. O. Spates, of Rockville.

The Rev. John H. Schooley, pastor of the Rockville Methodist Church, South, is attending the annual conference of the Southern Methodist Church at Roanoke, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Schaeffer, of Baltimore, spent several days here during the week as guests of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Morgan.

NEWS AT LAUREL

Voting List Sustains a Net Loss of Thirty-eight Names.

LAUREL, Md., April 1.—Four new names were added to list of qualified voters of this municipality at the supplemental registration held at the city hall this past week. Forty-two names were erased from the books on account of death or removal from the town. There are 382 names remaining on the books.

The Young Ladies' Bible class of St. Philip's Sunday school held a tea at the home of Mrs. C. M. Jarboe yesterday. The proceeds will be used to increase the Easter offering of the class.

C. E. Phelps and Miss Lillian Phelps have returned to their home here from a trip to Florida.

Miss Adelaide Spreckelmeyer has returned to her home in Washington after spending a short time with Mrs. H. A. Fisher.

Mayor G. W. Waters, Jr., has been designated chairman of the military census committee of Prince George's county by Governor Harrington.

Mrs. W. E. Marlow, of Montgomery county, has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Alexenia W. Robey.

Mrs. H. Campbell, of Meridian, Miss., has been the guest of Mrs. M. H. Douglas.

HOLDS MAN 60 FEET IN AIR

Boy of Seventeen Clings to 240-pound Paralytic Till Aid Arrives.

OXFORD, Pa., April 1.—Suddenly paralyzed while working at the top of a windmill, John Z. Wilson was held helpless sixty feet in the air for half an hour by his assistant, seventeen-year-old William Gordon, of Russellville. Ex-sheriff A. H. Ingram, on whose farm they were at work, was the first to come to the boy's assistance after he had been calling frantically for help but could make no one hear him.

Mr. Ingram, who is seventy-five years old, climbed the sixty-foot ladder on the mill and held Wilson until the boy could go for help. All this time the victim, who weighs 240 pounds, was unconscious and had to be held to the braces of the machine. John Cannon and Walter Eldison, both of Oxford, finally lowered Wilson with a block and fall.

The stroke came without warning. Gordon noticed that Wilson was reeling on the bar upon which he was standing. He caught the stricken man just as he fell, and held him over a brace. No one was about the barn, however, and it was nearly half an hour before rescue came. Wilson still is unconscious and small hopes are entertained of his recovery.

HERO'S DEED KEPT SECRET

Wonderful Tale of Gallantry Awaits War's End.

LONDON, April 1.—No war mystery has aroused so much curiosity in the British public as the case of Commander Gordon Campbell.

At the beginning of the war he was senior officer of an old and small destroyer, but a year ago he was suddenly promoted over the heads of 700 senior lieutenant commanders and now it is announced that he has won both the Victoria Cross and the Distinguished Service Order.

An admiralty authority said: "We cannot say what he did, but it was one of the most gallant actions a man ever performed. When the war is over it will be read as one of the most thrilling stories ever told. But at the present moment we cannot even hint what it was."

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GET BACK NECKLACE OF \$30,000 VALUE

But Thief With \$8,500 Worth of Other Gems Still Eludes Police.

NEW YORK, April 1.—The \$30,000 pearl necklace stolen from Mrs. William McNair, of 5 East Seventy-ninth street, with other gems worth \$8,500 more, was recovered today by the police.

The necklace was in the possession of Louis Weisenfeld, a jewelry salesman, who is charged with receiving the stolen goods, while the original thief is now being sought by detectives.

With Weisenfeld were arrested Henry von Gulick, also a salesman, and Joseph Victor, both of the Bronx. All three were subjected to a grilling with the hope of learning where the remaining jewels are, but so far efforts in this direction have been in vain.

The story of the theft on March 22 reads more like a movie thriller than an occurrence in fashionable New York. The thief was an assistant window cleaner and while Mrs. McNair, formerly Elvira Brokaw, daughter of the late Isaac V. Brokaw, was out he ransacked her dressing table and took the gems. He then got to the yard where he was seen by a maid who asked him what he was doing there. He told her he had dropped his handkerchief and she let him pass.

Mrs. McNair discovered her loss immediately on her return, and suspicion at once fastened on the window cleaner.

Acting Capt. Jones and Lieutenant

Price, who made the arrests, hope to trace the window cleaner through information given by Von Gulick, who told them that the thief had sold an earring and two rings for \$20 and boasted of his skill in getting away with the loot.

"DIAMOND JIM" AGAIN ILL

James Buchanan Brady, Millionaire, Prisoner in Hotel Suite.

ATLANTIC CITY, April 1.—James Buchanan Brady, the New York millionaire sportsman, whose battle for life here early in the winter excited nationwide interest, is again very sick at the Hotel Shelburne.

"Diamond Jim" was believed to have fully recovered. His appetite, a possession prized above his \$750,000 collection of jewels, came back to the extent that he was able to dine with a portion of his old-time grandeur, after fasting for weeks upon health biscuits.

The prohibition upon dancing was not removed, but he was permitted to entertain friends in characteristic Brady style, to mingle with the throngs on the Boardwalk and attend "first nights" at the beach theaters as fast as they came.

Brady obeyed strictly the injunction of his physicians, but the excitement proved too much for him, after his years of royal living. His stomach, which he is said to have paid a Johns Hopkins surgeon \$500,000 to renovate for him several years ago, was unable to withstand the strain. A relapse occurred late yesterday, and "Diamond Jim," with thousands making merry along the Boardwalk and in the cafes, is a prisoner in his room again.

Friends who called were not permitted to see him or even to talk to him over the wire. Brady's sole companion is Charles Anderson, his valet.

WOMEN TEACHERS TO MEET

Joint Conference of Alumnae and Educators Here Next Week.

The Association of Collegiate Alumnae and the Southern Association of College Women will meet here the week of April 9 in joint session to discuss "What the Government is Doing for Women." Leading women educators of the country will attend.

April 9 at 9:30 o'clock the committee on recognition of colleges and universities will examine the standards of all college representatives. At 1:10 o'clock the directors will be entertained at luncheon in the home of Mrs. Thomas W. Kidwell, 3901 Wisconsin avenue. There will be a council meeting, business meeting and open meeting Tuesday. Wednesday will be "conference day" at Baltimore with the delegates as guests of Goucher College.

Trinity College will entertain the conference Thursday. In the evening the Southern Association of College Women will conduct an open meeting in the Raleigh ballroom.

Business meetings will be held Friday afternoon with a dinner at 7 o'clock. Miss Ruth Putnam will be toastmistress.

Sightseeing will be the order Saturday until 4 o'clock, when there will be a special festival service at the Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul, Bethlehem Chapel.

NO THIS WITHOUT THAT

New System in Retail Selling in London.

LONDON, March 3 (by mail).—There's a new league in London today. It's called the "No-This-Without-That-League."

Your grocer and his fellow conspirators, the butcher, the baker, and the

candlestick maker are all active members.

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The tobaccoists here were the first to adopt the idea. No matches sold to customers who don't buy tobacco.

The grocers weren't more than a jump behind. No sugar unless you bought groceries.

Then the butcher got it—no beef unless you buy a bone.

HELP REUNION FUND.

To assist in the raising of the fund necessary to pay the expenses of the Confederate Veterans' encampment in June, the Children of the Confederacy, Mildred Lee Chapter, will give a dance on the evening of April 13, at the Confederate Memorial Home, 1322 Vermont avenue northwest. Miss Katherine Barr, is chairman of arrangements, Miss Virginia Hereford, chairman of refreshments, and Miss Maude Morgan, chairman of the committee of entertainment, assisted by Miss Dorothy King, Miss Louise Hancock and others of the senior members of the chapter.

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FACTS!

Major Pullman, the Chief of the District Police, told me that I had the constitutional right to hold a meeting in a Washington theater this afternoon, as I had planned, for the purpose of discussing the question whether the honor of our country demands our entering the European war, but that he would like to have me waive this right and abandon the meeting. He felt that there were times when it was honorable and patriotic for American citizens not to insist upon their rights. I naturally gave up the meeting.

1. In dealing with Great Britain we have laid down this rule:

AMERICAN RIGHTS ON THE HIGH SEAS ARE SUBJECT TO INTERFERENCE UNDER TWO CONDITIONS: (1) WHEN SUCH INTERFERENCE IS PERMITTED BY INTERNATIONAL LAW; (2) WHEN IT IS REQUIRED BY THE PRINCIPLE OF NATIONAL SELF-PRESERVATION.

This appears from the following quotations from the Official White Book, published by the Department of State:

Note of December 26, 1914: "The commerce between nations which are not belligerents should not be interfered with by those at war, unless such interference is manifestly an imperative necessity to protect their national safety."

Same note: (These restrictions) "are not justified by the rules of international law or required under the principle of self-preservation."

Note of January 7, 1915: "A belligerent . . . should not interfere, unless such interference is necessary to protect the belligerent's national safety, and then only to the extent to which this is necessary."

In dealing with Germany we have denied her the appeal to the principle of self-preservation and demanded that her actions conform to the rules of international law.

2. Ruthless naval warfare, i. e. the establishment of military areas on the high seas, with the threat to sink all ships entering them unwarned, was first proclaimed by Great Britain, who on November 2, 1914, by an admiralty order, established a military area on the high seas where all ships were to be sunk, unwarned, "by mines . . . and warships."

The first American ship sunk in a "military area," unwarned, during this war, was sunk as the result of this British order.

The first American lives lost on ships so sunk were lost through the instrumentality of the British, when the American steamships *Carib* and *Evelyn* were sunk.

The first passenger steamers sunk, unwarned, during this war were Austrian passenger steamers sunk by torpedoes from entente submarines in the Mediterranean.

Germany established her first war zone on the high seas three months later than Great Britain, claiming that Great Britain's ruthlessness forced her to take this action, and offering to rescind her order as soon as her enemies would do likewise.

3. The British admiralty order of November 2, 1914, which began ruthless naval warfare, has been omitted from the Official White Book published by our Department of State. The German order has been printed, which gives the appearance that Germany and not Great Britain started the mode of warfare which has aroused American resentment.

The loss of American ships and American lives as the result of the British order has been suppressed as much as possible. The loss of American ships and American lives as the result of the German order has been fully published.

Our Department of State has not protested against the British order. It has protested against the German order.

4. At the outbreak of the war our Department of State asked the belligerents whether they were willing to abide by the Declaration of London. This declaration embodies the rules of naval warfare which the delegates of all the maritime nations of the world had accepted in 1909 as in keeping with the standards of modern civilization. Germany accepted our proposal. Great Britain rejected it.

Since then Germany has twice offered to conform her mode of warfare to the rules of this declaration, and even today it is not unreasonable to assume that she would be willing to forego the use of her submarines and abide by the standard of naval warfare set up by this declaration, if we can force the recognition of the same high standard by all the belligerents.

5. The Constitution has committed to Congress the definition and the punishment of "offenses against the law of nations." (Article I, Section 8, No. 10.) "Great changes have occurred in the conditions and means of naval warfare since the rules hitherto governing" it were formulated (American note to Great Britain, March 30, 1915). Let Congress now define, as already suggested by Senator McCumber, what, in view of these changes, the United States feels obliged to regard as offenses against the laws of nations. Let Congress establish definite rules, and let us then enforce them impartially!

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